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Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Acting Chairman; Tony Hammond, Vice Chairman; Mark Acton; and Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators 1 (MC2010-34) Canada Post Corporation Docket No. CP2016-57

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued December 22, 2015)

To clarify the Postal Service's notice of filing a functionally equivalent competitive multi-service agreement, the Commission requests the Postal Service to provide written responses to the following questions.¹ A response should be provided as soon as possible, but no later than December 28, 2015.

Attachment 1 to the Canada Post Corporation-United States Postal Service
Contractual Bilateral Agreement identifies four Priority Parcel Post rate
categories. Notice, Attachment 2 at 15. The four rate categories are Expedited
parcels Bag, Expedited parcels Large Container, Commercial Priority Parcels
Bag, and Commercial Priority Large Container. *Id.* Please clarify the difference

¹ Notice of United States Postal Service of Filing Functionally Equivalent Inbound Competitive Multi-Service Agreement with a Foreign Postal Operator, December 16, 2015 (Notice).

in product features and operational handling between Expedited and Commercial Priority for both bags and containers.

- 2. The Canada Post Corporation-United States Postal Service Contractual Bilateral Agreement does not include rates for inbound surface parcels, although surface parcels are identified as expedited parcels in file "REVISED_Canada_Bilateral_Comp_Inbound_2015 12 16(1).xls," tab "12_TDues_Rates_Proj," rows 12-14. Please confirm that southbound surface parcels from Canada Post Corporation to the Postal Service are not part of this agreement. If not confirmed, please explain.
- 3. Attachment 3 to the Canada Post Corporation-United States Postal Service Contractual Bilateral Agreement identifies changes to the "EMS Cooperative's Standard Agreement and its Procedures, as adopted in 2015 and amended from time to time by the EMS Cooperative..." Notice, Attachment 2 at 29-30. However, the changes identified in the table do not correlate to the Pay-for-performance Plan 2015 of the EMS Cooperative that the Postal Service filed with the Commission as part of Docket No. CP2015-117. Please confirm that the Pay-for-performance Plan 2015 of the EMS Cooperative is the same as the EMS Cooperative Standard Agreement and Procedures shown in the Notice, Attachment 2 at 29-30. If it is not, please provide the EMS Cooperative Standard Agreement and Procedures.

By the Acting Chairman.

Robert G. Taub

² Docket No. CP2015-117, Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Changes in Rates Not of General Applicability for Inbound EMS 2, July 31, 2015, Attachment 5.